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Some quickning motives to raise sinking

Sinners,

From the sleep of sin that every man may be made Perfect in *Jesus Christ.*

Being a Farewel

SERMON

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On *Sunday* being the 6th. inſtant at the *QUAKERS MEETING-HOUSE* at *Weſtminſter.*

Friends: *Take heed that ye obſerve good Counſel, and let not the Light depart from ye:* Yea, *Let the Wonderful Counſellour be your Guide.*

Licenſed According to Order.

IT was the Bleſſed Encouragement that our Lord Jeſus Chriſt gave to his Diſciples, and all his Followers when he took on him the Nature of

Man, and was made Flesh, and dwelt amongst us: and therein to all the Sons and Daughters of men, who should follow him thro' the many and great Tribulations and give up their Names and Hearts to him, to be Witnesses of his Truth, and of that Holy Testimony which he should communicate to them near his *Farewel*, and a little before his being offered up. *Let not your Hearts be Troubled, ye beleive in God, beleive also in me: In my Fathers House are many Mansions, if it were not so, I would have told you; I go to prepare a place for you, and I will come again and Receive you unto my self, that where I am, there you may be also.*

Now my *Friends*, These Mansions they are the Recompences of Reward that are set in the View of the Righteous, and promised of God by Christ Jesus. These many Mansions are the manifold Rewards, Diversities of Rewards

Rewards that Refer to the Diversity of States and Conditions, and Persons, unto whom these many Mansions do belong. As all are not of the same stature and groweth neither are all these Mansions of the same degree of Glory and Felicity

There is one Glory of the Sun, another Glory of the Moon, another Glory of the Stars; for one Star Differs from another Star in Glory, yet all these Stars shine with a Nature, and Glory, and the least Star hath a Beauty and Excellency in it; and so the least of these many Mansions have a Marvellous Light and Glory in it. This refers to the state of every Man and Woman here below. All Members are not the Hand, all are not the Head, but every member of the Body hath its Service, and shall have its Reward.

This

This is that which did Spring in my Soul this Evening, as I sat here among you. O that all here present; may become the living Members of Christ Jesus our Blessed Head, and live the Life they live in the Body, By the Faith of the Son of God. ——He that made us, knows our Frame; He that created us and formed and fashioned us after his own Image, and gave us Powers and Faculties to glorifie and serve him, that we may come to enjoy him for ever he requires of no man or VVoman more then he hath given them power and Ability to perform.

It concerneth us all therefore to live in the Exercise of that Divine Gift, and Grace, and Ability, which our Lord Jesus Christ hath Distributed and Communicated to every Member of his body, that we may come

to shine as Stars in the Firmament of Glory.——We should do good in several Places and stations, according to our Different Powers and Capacities. And as every member is by the Circulation of Blood, made useful and Beneficial in the Natural Body, so the *Divine Life and Blood of the Son of God Circulates through his whole Mystical Body*, and teaches Life to every living member. Here is no Obstruction through Unfaithfulness, or Inordinate love of the World, or any Temptation from without us, or Corruption from within us. Here is a free Channel, here is an open Passage for Life and quickening influences from Christ our Glorious Head, to all his Members.

There is in Christ (in whom the Fulness of the God-head dwells bodily A River, whose Streams make glad the City of God : A Fountain to

Supply

Supply and refresh the whole Generation of the Righteous, that desire to be found in him as the Apostles speaks not having their own Righteousness, but Cloathed with the Robe of his Righteousness, which is the *Garment of* S A L V A T I O N Therefore VVait this Day, *My Dear Friends*, to have your hearts filled with the Love and Life of the Son of God that you may appear with Joy at his *Tribunal*, mankind must appear, and every one give an Account of what he hath done in the body, whether it be good or evil. Let every one of you be careful to live according to what you know and improve the *T A L L E N T S* that God hath given you, and you shall find that in keeping his Commandments there is a great Reward, and that God is good to *Israel* to them that are of a Clean Heart Had not the Lord been on our side may *Israel* say, had not the Lord been on our side when Men rose up against us,

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we say, they had swallowed us up and the Temptations of the Devil would have prevailed over us, and we had fallen long ago; It is not we that have stood firm in times of tryal and trouble, but it is the Lord that hath stood by us and made us to stand: And the love of God to his People now, is as great as ever it was: *His Arm is not shortned that it cannot save, nor his Ear heavy that it cannot hear*; Therefore Travel on and Faint not, and you shall come with Joy to the end of your JOURNEY, and you shall be satisfied with the Fatness of God's HOUSE, and say with the Psalmist, *Blessed are they that dwell in thy HOUSE, they shall be still praising thee.* It is the Faithful and sincere that shall dwell in the HOUSE of the LORD for ever and enter into his everlasting Kingdom. O My Friends, Live as

a People bowed down in the pre[sence] the of Great and Holy GOD and wa[lk] Humbly with him ; Be humble under his mighty Hand, and you shall be exalted in due time.

The God of Heaven hath Visited your Souls with his Divine Power and Grace and given you a refreshing Sense, of his Love, that you may perceive and feel a Dayly Renewing of your strength. O Wait upon the Lord for his Divine Power to enable you to Conquer the Power of Satan, that you may go on Conquering and to Conquer. till you come to the New JERUSALEM the CITY of GOD and Land of Peace and Rest.

Beware

Beware of *IDOLATRY!* Bow not down to the work of your own Hands: For tho' you may not be Guilty of Grose IDOLATRY, yet there is a secret, and more hidden IDOLATRY, that too many are Guilty of. Who set their *Hearts* and Affections on low and Earthly things: This sticks but too near to many. Let the Word of Exhortation of the Apostle enter into your Hearts: Little Children keep your Selves from IDOLS Let this be the Cry of your SOULS, Lord Preserve and keep me this Day every Day and to the end of my Days, that I may be not only Convinced of the Truth, but really Converted to it, and Walk in thy Truth, and Perserve therein to the end, that I may be saved. remember Lots WIFE; Look not back to SODOM; Walk in

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righteousness, who was given for
light to lighten the Gentiles, and to
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shall be the Desire of all Nations; the
mighty Saviour upon whom God hath
laid help: Believe in him, cleave to
him, and follow him, and you shall be
Saved both from your Sins, and from
the Wrath to come. *God is Ligh*
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the rock and Foundation of God, which standeth Sure, and which will stand sure in stormy and Tempestuous times Blessed are they that Build upon this Foundation which God hath laid.

Blessed be God, who hath Opened your Eyes and given you to see this sure Foundation, which we must build all our hopes of salvation upon and not upon any other Foundation whatsoever

We that are made Living Witnesses of the Power, and Wisdom, and Goodness of *God* let us sink down into Self-Abasement and humility and we shall feel the Living openings of the *S*pirit of Truth in our hearts, and receive with Meekness that ingrafted Word, in which is light and life, that is able to save our Souls, and submit to the Authority of *God* therein; That the word of Christ may dwell richly in us, and become the Power of *God* to our *S*alvation.

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ever, Amen.

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